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COUNTRY Soviet (Soviet Zone)REPORT NO. [REDACTED]TOPIC Peenemuende Airfield

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1. On 30 November 1951, [REDACTED] the Soviet pilots in Peenemuende were to be transferred at an undetermined date and that the airfield would be occupied by Soviet naval or sea police.

2. After 18 November, the restricted area in Karlshagen was vacated by the troops previously stationed there. The troops were allegedly transferred to Dangarten according to a German who remained in Karlshagen until the date of transfer. The transferred troops had destroyed some of the permanent installations and taken along all mobile equipment, including light switches, light wires, hot water heaters, kitchen ranges and boilers. The German personnel in Karlshagen were dismissed except for 10 to 15 workers who remained with the administrative unit and were employed for the reconstruction of installations in Karlshagen. On 18 November, a new unit of Soviet naval troops took over the restricted area. A guard detail of 10 to 15 men arrived there. The commander of this new unit made efforts to get back some of the equipment. He partially succeeded. Shortly after 18 November, German workers started cutting trees and shrubs around the barracks buildings, west of Karlshagen-Peenemuende road.

3. On 20 December, the hangars at the field were closed. The wooden hangar, which had been torn down some time before, was not recreated. The motor vehicle filling station was dismantled and the underground fuel containers were dug out. The narrow-gauge field railway line which led from Karlshagen harbor toward the northeast and terminated at a spur track near Karlshagen-Peenemuende road was being converted into a standard gauge track. Poles with lights which were to illuminate the bank of the Peene River were installed between Karlshagen harbor and Peenemuende harbor. The entire restricted area seemed to be deserted. According to dismissed German workers, no aircraft were observed at the field some days before 18 November. Between 4 December and 2 January, no flying by jet or conventional aircraft was observed at the field. *

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* Comment. The report confirms that the fighter division headquarters and one fighter regiment were transferred from Peenemuende to Puetnitz on 15 November 1951. Dangarten is the railroad station of Puetnitz airfield. According to some statements in this report, it appears that the field has been definitely vacated by the Twenty-Fourth Air Army and that it was taken over by the Soviet Naval Air Force.

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